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26 February 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR : Deputy Director (Plans)
THROUGH : Acting Chief, DFD-DD/P ☐
SUBJECT : Separate approval for OXCART contracts
and amendments prior to release
REFERENCE : OXC-0156 from DD/P to A/CH/DFD, dtd
8 Dec. 1959 entitled "DFD Operational
Program for FY 1960 and Activity
Program for OXCART"

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1. The referenced memorandum requested that a sheet of paper including the following statement be furnished for each OXCART contract document prepared for release:

"Contract action with (Name of Company) in the amount of (\$ _____) as proposed in attached Weekly Report No. _____ approved."

This paper when executed and returned to the Contracting Officer was to be his authority for releasing the contract document.

2. Since the referenced memorandum, the following documents have been released:

a. Letter Contract EC-8250 with the Firewal Company for initial funding of ☐ for 2 prototypes of environmental control system for pilots. An estimate for the entire work is in the neighborhood of ☐ and ☐ had been authorized to perform certain work without funding coverage. This contract document provided ☐ for initial coverage of his investigations. The approval to proceed on this work was covered by OXC-0056.

b. Amendment 1 to EK-3559 with L.A.C. raised the funding limits from ☐ This was approved by OXC-0219. You will recall that you promised Mr.

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Johnson this coverage since he was then out of funding and we released the document during your absence. This was reported in Weekly Report No. 60-32 for the period February 7 to 13, 1960.

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c. Amendment 3 to Contract [] with [] was extended and additional funding in the amount of [] added. This was approved by OXC-0056 and OXC-0219. The contractor, prior to the issuance of the document, had exhausted all available funds. This item was reported in Weekly Report No. 60-32 for the period February 7 to 13, 1960.

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d. A letter authorization was issued to Contract KD-3540 with Minneapolis-Honeywell approving long lead items which, if not ordered, would have resulted in program delays. The Government's maximum liability is [] through February. This authorization is within the funding approved by OXC-0219. This item was also reported in Weekly Report No. 60-32 for the period February 7 to 13, 1960.

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e. Amendment 2 to Contract No. TT-1001 with Pratt & Whitney increased available funding from [] to [] for previously approved work. This was approved by OXC-0219 and reported in Weekly Report No. 60-33 for the period February 14 to 20, 1960. You will recall that this [] had previously been added to that contract but had been withdrawn on the basis of Bureau of the Budget reduction in available funding. Subsequent thereto, we were advised that the entire [] would be transferred from the Department of Defense and this [] was then reinstated by the aforementioned document.

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3. While we were not able to comply with the letter of your request in the referenced memorandum, mainly because of your absence, we believe its intent was met in that you were aware of the above actions. This is particularly true in the case of L.A.C. where you promised Mr. Johnson immediate contract coverage beyond the []

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4. When we originally discussed the Activity Program system we had hoped that the detailed Monthly Report and the line item Weekly Report would be sufficient to keep you informed. Particularly, since very little can happen on a contract during a week that cannot be quickly corrected by a phone call, particularly considering mailing time. We will, however, forward to you commencing 26 February, the requested paper for your signature and return.

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5. In order to advise you of the current status of contract actions on the OXCART program, we have enclosed an Exhibit which reflects the present status of the program.

SIGNED

Chief, Contracts Branch, DPD

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ATTACHMENT

OXCART Status Report

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